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At 6:10 pm Chairman Cordes called the meeting to order. Present were Selectmen Gene Cordes, Donald Gates Jr, and Peter Bolduc; and Town Administrator Heidi Carlson.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Selectmen reviewed the minutes for 01 December 2005. Motion was made by Bolduc to approve them as written. Gates seconded and the vote was unanimously approved 3-0.
- 2. Carlson reported that Charlie Moreno called last week to say that the woods work was done relative to the harvest of the town forest. He is working on the final accounting and will get it to the Town as soon as it is complete.
- 3. Selectmen reviewed bond reduction requests for Tuck Woods Phase I, as the improvements required by the Town Meeting 2005 conditional vote, have been completed. Chief Heselton indicated he has signed off on the fire protection improvements, and Guerwood Holmes indicated earlier this week that he was OK with the road. He continues to work with the town engineer on a culvert issue that is actually in Brentwood, but could affect road networks and drainage in Fremont. Selectmen agreed that once all final approvals are in place, including the sign off from the town engineer at Vollmer Associates, and all conditions have been met, that the bond can be reduced to the amount that is required for the two year maintenance sum.

Selectmen also reviewed a bond reduction request for Kenniston Lane for Glen Hutchins. In this case, the bond reduction of \$20,086.00 was recommended by Engineer Dick Colby; but acceptance of the road conditionally was not. There was discussion about the conditional acceptance problems, and a general thought by the Board that the engineer's recommendation should be followed. Guerwood Holmes had agreed with the bond reduction, and also indicated he felt at this time, he needed to agree with the engineer on waiting for acceptance of the road until it was complete. The final 1" of pavement and final shoulder work is remaining to be done, and the road has not yet been through a winter season.

There were no Department Heads present at 7:00 pm.

- 4. All of the Glen Oakes final documents were presented for signature for the closing. The Selectmen reviewed and signed the Conservation Easements for parcels 04-077 (23.694 acres) and 02-156.2 (312.08 acres); the contingent right-of-way agreement, and acceptance of the deed from Glen Oakes Associates; and assignment of conservation easement for parcel 04-077. All were witness and notarized by Carlson. The closing will likely take place tomorrow at the Registry of Deeds.
- 5. Carlson provided some follow-up information from Elite Pest Management with regard to town buildings. Selectmen would like to investigate the pricing of similar services and asked Carlson to see what other vendors may be available.
- 6. Carlson provided more information to the Board about the well at the edge of the LeClair property on Red Brook Road. NH DES has no record of the well, and therefore does not believe it to be for their monitoring purposes. LeClair spoke with Carlson today and indicated that it is approximately eight feet from the edge of pavement, and likely within the Town's right-of-way.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Selectmen reviewed the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$1,277,212.58. Motion was made to approve it by Gates and seconded by Bolduc. The vote was unanimously approved 3-0. Selectmen

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then reviewed and approved a manual manifest for petty cash disbursements (end of year) in the amount of \$156.71.

At 8:00 pm Doug Crisafulli met with the Board. He said that he and his family have been very upset by the complaints filed by neighbor Daley. He explained that he has a NH Bonded Retail Dealer license, and has been operating under it since July of 2004. He explained that at the time he applied, he was told by the Code Enforcement Officer, based on his scope, that he did not need to undergo Site Plan Review. The letter from the neighbor has prompted the question of whether this is a "business."

He explained that with the bonded dealer license, he buys at auctions, registers them with them temporary plates and sells them on eBay. He said that no one comes to their house, they drive to pick up the cars and then use them as their own personal vehicles until they are sold. He said there is no advertising sign at the house, nor for sale signs on the cars, and he has never had more than three personal and business cars at their house at any one time. He said he doe not advertise where his business is on eBay, only that the cars are in NH.

He indicated that no cars leak, he checks them all, and would not buy a car in that condition. He said Remi Janzegers of Action Auto inspects all of the cars he buys. He has now also made arrangements with Janzegers to store any cars at his lot that need to be seen or picked up. He said they are not polluting the Exeter River or anything else.

Crisafulli was very upset when he learned of the neighbor's complaints. He said his full-time job is in software sales and he and his wife do the cars as a way to make extra money so that his wife can be home with their young children.

He described how he started and that he does everything in accordance with his state license. He indicated he has been hurt by these accusations, and in response to the request to go for Site Review, has gone to all the rest of his neighbors on Cavil Mill Road to ask them about how the business affects his neighborhood. Mr Crisafulli submitted a copy of the letter he wrote to all of his neighbors, and it contains signatures of all the neighbors except Mr Daley.

He said he has made one change in his policies that anyone who needs to come to Fremont to pick up a car will do so at Action Auto instead of having the car picked up at his house. He said in the time he has been doing this, three people have come to his house to get or look at a car.

He said he is meeting with Meredith on Tuesday and is putting his Site Plan Review together.

He said he generally turns vehicles over within 10 days. He said he has had three people in 18 months have come to his house; and has sold 20 cars overall.

He invited Selectmen to drive by his home and see if it looks any different than any others on the street. Selectmen said they would do so. He stressed that his house does not look like a vehicle dealership and he had no desire or intention for it to. He said they take pride in their home and its appearance.

Crisafulli said he doesn't buy junk and has had a good success rate on eBay.

Selectmen explained that they understand there are two sides of every story, and appreciated Mr Crisafulli coming in to provide his information. Cordes stated that it was very good that he was following through with the Site Plan Review, given that it has become an issue for someone in the neighborhood.

Crisafulli thanked Selectmen for their time and he left the meeting at 8:30 pm.

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NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

- 2. At the request of Thom Roy, Selectmen discussed an appointment for Ken Pitkin as an Assistant Electrical Inspector. Motion made by Gates and seconded by Bolduc to appoint Ken Pitkin as an Assistant Electrical Inspector. The vote was unanimously approved and the form was signed and forwarded to the Town Clerk.
- 3. Selectmen signed outgoing correspondence to Martin Ferwerda, Cobb Hill Construction, and Daniel Perry regarding winter maintenance; to Pat Martel requesting perpetual care disbursement for 2005 in the amount of \$3,200; and to Jack Barnes regarding legislation on some portion of highway violation fines coming back to municipalities.
- 4. Selectmen discussed the part-time posting for a driver for the Highway Department. It has been posted for two weeks and there is one applicant to date. A background check needs to be done, and Guerwood Holmes is planning to meet with the Board next week to review this, and his 2006 final budget submission.
- 5. Selectmen reviewed a letter from Jack Barnes regarding placement of two non-binding warrant articles on the Fremont Town Meeting warrant for 2006. The questions were:
 - Would you support a gay marriage law such as the one in Massachusetts? And
 - Would you support a civil union law such as the one in Vermont?

Selectmen thought the questions needed more explanation as to why they would be on the warrant, but were not opposed to hearing Fremont's answers to forward to Barnes so he knew how his constituents felt. Selectmen would like to ask Barnes for some more descriptive information to provide with the questions on the ballot.

- 6. Selectmen reviewed and signed an abatement of yield taxes charged to the logger Scott Sweet in error in the amount of \$1,017.26 on parcels 2-156.02 and 06-020.01. This has been re-processed for billing to the proper persons.
- 7. Selectmen processed and signed a new yield tax warrant on parcel 02-156.02 owned by Glen Oakes Associates in the amount of \$1,009.66 and 06-020.01 owned by Seacoast United Soccer Club in the amount of \$7.60. This was forwarded to the Tax Collector.
- 8. Carlson outlined for the Board information on the EEE / mosquito control workshop from last week. At the outset, the cost of mosquito control (for an overall program) could range from \$20,000 to some \$40,000 dollars. The Town has to apply for a pesticide license, and in the application, provide information about the process as well as the vendor. The State does not recommend licensing just for spraying, and the vendors indicate that the only real way to fully treat mosquito problems is by treating the larvae. More information will be gathered and some pricing estimates obtained.
- 9. Selectmen signed the application cover page for the ZBA; on the Conservation Commission rehearing request.
- 10. Selectmen reviewed a letter from NH DMV regarding a request by Jeff Lesiczka for a Bonded Retail Dealer license. The form was completed requesting deferral on the application by NH DMV until Mr Lesiczka had completed his application with the Fremont Planning Board for Site Plan Review.

BUDGETS

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General Government Buildings – general discussion, including whether or not to budget for new heating systems in the Town Hall as part of the overall plan to do renovations in the next couple of years. The Safety Complex telephone system needs to be included, as well as some increases for the cost of oil and increased cost of electricity.

Personnel Administration – Carlson reviewed the budget as prepared with all of the new rates for insurances. The total request is \$166,100.

Carlson discussed with the Board renewal options for dental insurance. If choosing to go to NH LGC now for coverage, the Town could never go back to a policy directly through Delta Dental. There is slightly less cost in the 2006 LGC rates, but this will be monitored for the next year to determine if it is consistently lower prior to making that move. If the Town could never again go directly through Delta, it could affect future rates.

Selectmen also discussed the amount of sick and vacation time accrued currently by full-time employees. They encouraged Carlson to begin taking some of the accrued vacation time. These items are carried by the auditor as a liability. Selectmen discussed formation of a more formal written policy on such accruals.

Patriotic Purposes – similar to last year budget, increase for community event to cover the annual Veteran's Day open house. Total budget request recommended is \$2,150.00.

NEXT WEEK

The Budget Committee meets at 7:00 pm on Monday December 12, 2005 to work on the school budget submission. The holiday party is at the Safety Complex from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday December 15, 2005 at 6:00 pm.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Bolduc at 10:30 pm to adjourn the meeting. Gates seconded and the vote was unanimously approved 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Carlson Town Administrator